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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

MATSUO, KENJI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/326,691

Attorney Docket No. Q54675

Confirmation No.: Not assigned

Group Art Unit: 1713

Filed: June 7, 1999

Examiner: P. Mulcahy

For: RUBBER COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING SAID RUBBER COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2000. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is being concurrently filed, making a response due on or before March 22, 2001. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1 (Amended). A rubber composition comprising sodium hexamethylenedithiosulfate dihydrate, and having, in a curve exhibiting a change in dynamic storage modulus during elevation of temperature, an intersection of an extrapolation line A of a portion in which the dynamic storage modulus shows an

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